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DATE 11/13/90 TIME 1120 hours PHONE NO. (Include Area Code) FTS 597-3154

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SUMMARY

Former FMC viscous cellophane manufacturing plant. Entire site is ~50 acres in size. Site is currently under EPA criminal investigation for illegal disposal of asbestos and PCBs. All but two buildings on-site were demolished. Property zoned for commercial usage. OSC Caron's concern: one building on-site (5-story building, 1/2 city block long). First and part of the second floor are being leased out to the following: First floor--day care center, restaurant, candy manufacturer, karate school, community center (boy scout and girl scout meetings) and others; second floor--offices; and third, fourth, and fifth floors--are the abandoned old FMC research and development lab and pilot plant. These floors have a horrendous asbestos problem. Bags filled with asbestos, asbestos-lined pipes, asbestos in duct work, asbestos in stairwells, broken windows, etc. The EPA has conducted a round of bulk sampling on all floors. All but the first and second floors tested positive for asbestos. First and second floors are reportedly on a separate ventilation system from the other floors. Air sampling results were positive on all floors (light microscopy), will be sending samples in for TEM analysis. All samples were passive air samples. First floor is day care center (hall entrance way) = .013 f/cc. Day care center has been in operation for ~2 years. First and second floors appear to have been remodelled.

Other floor air sampling results: 5th - 0.015 f/cc; 4th - 0.012 f/cc; and 2nd - 0.011 f/cc. How does ATSDR feel about the health threat to day care center posed by the presence of asbestos? ATSDR considers a immediate health threat to day care center posed by the presence of asbestos--until analytical results prove otherwise. ATSDR recommends relocation of the day care center if TEM results prove positive for asbestos.

EPA--buried asbestos on-site.

-- Elementary school across street (from building contaminated with asbestos)

ACTION REQUIRED, INFORMATION OR MATERIALS PROVIDED, ETC. ENCLOSURE(S) INCLUDED: YES NO

aka: Old FMC Plant
SITE: Strathavan Realty
COUNTY: Delaware STATE: PA
(Marcus Hook)
X EMERGENCY/IMMEDIATE
REMEDIAL

- ☒ HEALTH CONSULTATION
☐ SITE VISIT
☐ REVIEW DATA
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